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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION 9/31/01

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$477.
  - \$117 for 13 total claims over 20.
  - \$360 for 9 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 542.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. ( 5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);
  - drawings contain excessive text. Suitable descriptive legends may be used, or may be required by the Examiner where necessary for understanding of the drawing but should contain as few words as possible ( see 37 CFR 1.84(o));
- This application does not contain a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded

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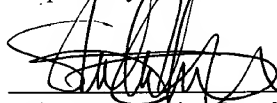
**RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS**

Dear Sir:

The Applicant hereby responds to the **Notice to File Missing Parts of the Provisional Application of July 31, 2001** and submits the following documents:

- (1) **Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of the Provisional Application** included with a **check** in the amount of **\$542** for the filing fee and surcharge;
- (2) **Declaration with Power of Attorney**
- (3) **Revised Sequence Listing and an Identical Electronic Copy**
- (4) **Statement Confirming Identity of Electronic and Paper Copy of Sequence Listing**
- (5) **Post Card.**

Respectfully submitted,



Date: **October 30, 2001**

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